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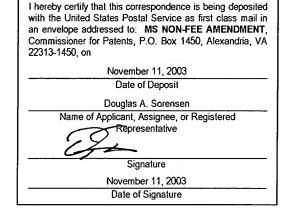
MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:



AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2003, which provides for a response period ending November 14, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: